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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

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SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF HILDING T. MUNSON

Introduced By: Senators Sosnowski, Felag, LaMountain, Acosta, Bell, Zurier, Quezada,  
Gu, Lauria, and Paolino

Date Introduced: February 11, 2025

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Hilding  
2 T. Munson, the beloved husband of Judith A. Munson for 48 years. He was the son of the late  
3 Hilding K. and Alice R. Munson; and

4           WHEREAS, Hilding Munson was a graduate of Bishop Hendricken High School, and the  
5 University of Rhode Island. Mr. Munson was a hard-working youngster who delivered the  
6 Providence Journal and worked summers in construction. Mr. Munson also served our nation  
7 with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Army and served in Korea during the  
8 Vietnam War era; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Munson worked hard his entire life and strove daily to provide for his  
10 family and loved ones. He was a life-long paper carrier, delivered flowers for Scott the Florist,  
11 served as a Rhode Island State Correctional Officer, and for thirty-five years he served our State  
12 with distinction as a Rhode Island State Sheriff, retiring with the rank of Sergeant; and

13           WHEREAS, Mr. Munson's proudest accomplishment as a professional was his 63-year  
14 tenure of devoted service with the Snug Harbor Volunteer Fire Department. He was a Captain for  
15 twenty years and was currently serving as the President of the Snug Harbor Fire Department. He  
16 was also known locally as the South Kingstown Police Department Traffic Constable and  
17 thoroughly enjoyed working details; and

18           WHEREAS, Hilding Munson was passionate about serving his local community. He was  
19 a dedicated and longtime volunteer with the Special Olympics, RI, for whom he worked every  
20 summer for over fifty years. Mr. Munson was a proud member of the VFW 916 and took great

1 pride in decorating veterans' graves on Memorial Day. He was also a man of faith and was an  
2 active member of Christ the King Church in Kingston; and

3 WHEREAS, In addition to his wife, Judith, Mr. Munson leaves behind his children  
4 Kristin M. Munson and her husband, Brandon Morgan, and Hilding T. Munson, II and his wife,  
5 Alba Davenport. Mr. Munson also leaves behind his sisters, Lynn Mary Munson and Teresa C.  
6 Giviens, and a nephew Ryan D. Giviens. He was predeceased by his sister, Patrice A. Munson;  
7 now, therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby expresses its deepest  
9 condolences to the Munson Family on the passing of Hilding T. Munson; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
11 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Judith A. Munson and Family.

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